

Amendments to the Claims

The following is a complete listing of all claims which replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

5        1. (Currently Amended) A method of modulating the human meridian system comprising:

using a small bar magnet having a length of 3 cm or less and a coercivity of 1000 gauss or greater,

10        the small bar magnet having a direction from south pole to north pole in parallel to the surface of attachment to skin, and

15        wherein the meridian system is-being promoted by attaching the small bar magnet to the skin such that the direction of flow of a magnetic force of the magnet is the same as the direction of flow of the meridian system; or the meridian system is-being inhibited by attaching the small bar magnet to the skin such that the direction of flow of a magnetic force of the bar magnet is opposite to the direction of flow of the meridian system.

20        2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the bar magnet has a length of 1 cm or less and a thickness of 0.5 mm or less.

25        3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the bar magnet has a length of 5 mm or less and a thickness of 0.3 mm or less.

30        4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the bar magnet is attached lengthwise to the skin one by one at constant intervals along parts of pain.

35        5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the bar magnet is attached to parts of pain in multiple lines in the same direction with or different directions from each other.

40        6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein a bar magnet is attached to a meridian at one side of a part of pain and another bar magnet is attached to a meridian at the opposite side of the part of pain, such that the direction

of an internal magnetic force of the magnet is the same as or opposite to the direction of flow of the meridian system.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of modulating the human meridian system comprising:

using a small bar magnet having a length of 3 cm or less and a coercivity of 1000 gauss or greater,

the small bar magnet having a direction from south pole to north pole in parallel to the surface of attachment to skin, and

~~wherein~~ the meridian system is-being promoted by hypodermically implanting the small bar magnet such that the direction of flow of a magnetic force of the magnet is the same as the direction of flow of the meridian system, or the meridian system is-being inhibited by hypodermically implanting the small bar magnet such that the direction of flow of a magnetic force of the bar magnet is opposite to the direction of flow of the meridian system.

8. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the bar magnet has a length of 1 cm or less and a thickness of 0.5 mm or less.

20 9. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the bar magnet has a length of 5 mm or less and a thickness of 0.3 mm or less.

10-16. (Canceled)